



Spinal Cord Disability Referral

WHY REFER?

Arkansas State Law (ACA 20-8-206) requires public and private health care and social agencies to report all individuals with spinal cord disabilities to the Spinal Cord Commission within 5 days of identification.

WHO SHOULD BE REFERRED?

All newly identified spinal cord disabled Arkansans:

1. Traumatic spinal cord injuries - recent or old.
2. Spina bifida - any age.
3. Spinal cord tumors.
4. Disease processes affecting the spinal cord:
 - Multiple Sclerosis
 - Transverse Myelitis
 - Cervical Spondylosis with Myelopathy

WHAT INFORMATION IS NEEDED?

Name and address of candidate

Additional helpful information, if available:

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| 1. Phone number | 5. Veteran status |
| 2. Date of birth | 6. Diagnosis |
| 3. Social Security number | 7. Date of onset |
| 4. Attending physician | 8. Extent of disability |

MEDICAL ELIGIBILITY

Candidates must meet specific medical criteria to be eligible for Spinal Cord Commission services. It is best, however, to refer everyone who may qualify and let the Case Manager determine if the individual meets the eligibility criteria.

WHO CAN REFER?

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| 1. Physicians | 3. Other health professionals |
| 2. Social workers | 4. Patients, family or friend |

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PHONE NUMBERS

Call any
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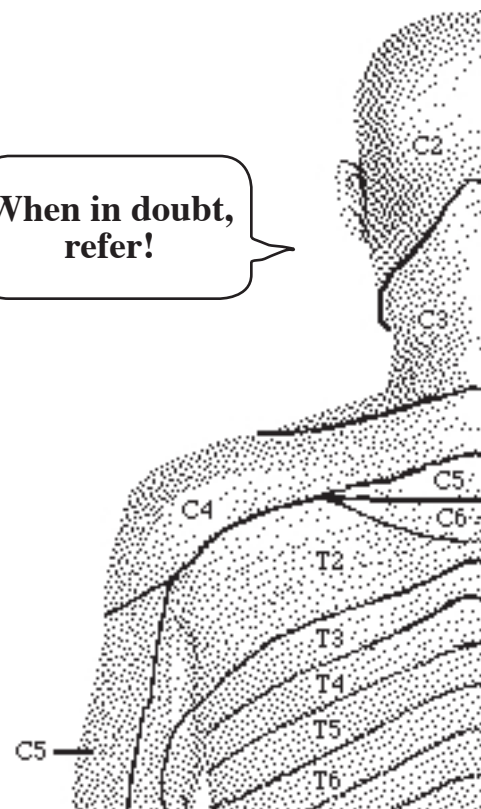
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Fayetteville:	479-582-1286
Fort Smith:	479-452-6801
Hot Springs:	501-701-6591
Jonesboro:	870-268-0425
Magnolia:	870-234-6219
Pine Bluff:	870-534-2993
Russellville:	479-890-5751
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**When in doubt,
refer!**



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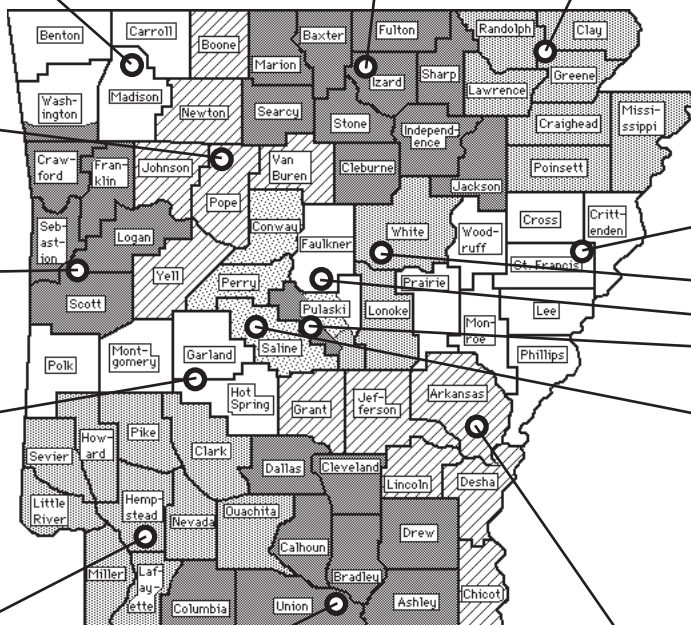
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The Shirley McCluer, MD, Education and Resource Center on Spinal Cord Injury

The Center provides information on living with a spinal cord injury to persons with spinal cord injuries, their families and health care providers.

Up-to-date references including books, journal articles, videotapes, DVDs, Internet websites and resource guides are available. Fact sheets about frequently-asked-about topics, including urological care, pressure sores and other specific conditions are available.

The Center is located in the Spinal Cord Commission offices at 1501 N. University, Suite 400 and may be visited during regular business hours (8:00-4:30 M-F, other times

by appointment) or call 501-296-1792. Many resources are available for checkout or copying. There is no charge for use of materials (copying at a nominal fee).

In addition, Regional Resource Centers are located in each Case Managers office (see map above). These Centers have a smaller collection of books, periodicals and DVDs as well as fact sheets and articles. Contact local Case Managers for access.

Computer users! Access all our fact sheets and learn more about ASCC by visiting our web site at www.spinalcord.ar.gov.

Commission Members

The Arkansas Spinal Cord Commission was established by Act 311 of 1975 and is governed by a five member consumer board. Commission members must:

- 1) be spinal cord injured, or
- 2) have an immediate family member with spinal cord injury, or
- 3) have special knowledge and involvement with spinal cord injuries.

The present Commission members are:

Jimmy Ashley of Jonesboro, **Mike Cranford** of Foreman, **Annette Stacy** of Wynne, **Jon Wilkerson** of Center Ridge and **John Wyrick** of Mabelvale.